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TO: Members of the MAG Intelligent Transportation Systems Committee

FROM: Jim Book, City of Glendale, Chairman

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Wednesday, June 21, 2000 - 9:00 a.m. MAG Office Building, Saguaro Room 302 North First Avenue, Phoenix

The next meeting of the MAG Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Committee will be held at the time and place noted above. For members traveling by car, parking is available directly beneath the building and tickets will be validated by the receptionist on the third floor. For those using transit the Regional Public Transportation Authority will provide transit tickets for your trip. For those using bicycles, please lock your bicycles in the bike rack in the garage. If you have any questions about the meeting, please contact Sarath Joshua at 254-6300.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED

- 1. <u>Call to Order</u>
- 2. <u>Approval of the May 17, 2000 Meeting</u>
 Minutes
- 3. <u>Call to Audience</u>
 - An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the ITS Committee on ITS issues. Citizens will be requested to not exceed a three minute period for their comments.
- 2. Review and approve the May 17, 2000 meeting minutes.
- 3. For information.

4. Program Managers Report

The following items will be addressed:

- Proposed USDOT Rulemaking on ITS (See Attachment One)
- Freeway Service Patrol Project
- Regional Transit WAN
- Planning for ITS Operations and Management

5. MAG Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)

The committee will be briefed on the RTP by MAG staff member Stuart Boggs. (10 minutes).

6. <u>Draft Methodology for Evaluating CMAQ</u> <u>Improvement Projects</u>

Final federal guidance for the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Improvement Program effective April 28, 1999, indicates that Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) need to develop procedures for assessing emission reduction benefits for proposed CMAQ projects. The guidance encourages States, MPOs, and transit agencies, in consultation with air quality agencies, to cooperatively develop evaluation criteria. In accordance with this guidance, the Maricopa Association of Governments is distributing the Draft Methodology for Evaluating Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Projects for review and comment. It is anticipated that the draft methodology will be used to evaluate proposed projects during development of the FY 2002-2006 MAG Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) that is scheduled to begin in August 2000. Comments on the draft methodology are due by June 30, 2000. Please refer to the enclosed material.(10 minutes) (See Attachment Two).

4. For information and discussion.

5. For information and discussion.

6. For information and discussion.

7. Regional Wide Area Network Study

The MAG Telecommunications Advisory Group (MAGTAG) is planning to launch a study that will determine the best options for meeting regional telecommunications needs by MAG member agencies. Recommendations in the ITS Strategic Plan will provide input to this study. The committee will be briefed on the goals and objectives of this study. MAGTAG has expressed interest in seeking support and participation of the ITS Committee in this study (10 minutes).

8. <u>ITS Project Rating System</u>

At the last committee meeting this subject was discussed and the need to get an early start on this process was recognized. The committee requested the Rating System Subcommittee to meet and discuss how the Rating System and the entire process may be simplified and improved upon. At a working session on May 31st, the subcommittee reviewed the Rating System and developed a set of recommendations for the next round of TIP project selection (See Attachment Three).

9. <u>Status Reports by Committee Members of</u> ITS Activities

Members of the Committee will be requested to report on related ITS activities in their area.

10. Next Meeting Date

Next meeting is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 19, 2000.

11. Adjournment

7. For information and discussion.

8. For information, discussion and possible action to approve the proposed ITS project rating and selection process.

9. For information and discussion.

10. For information.